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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, SHUM, OAS, JM

SUBJECT: URUGUAY'S INVITATION TO OASGA

REF: STATE 005850

1. DURING DISCUSSION AT MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
OF OASGA INVITATION, DR. RONALD MANDERSON-JONES, DIRECTOR  
OF THE POLITICAL DIVISION IN THE MINISTRY, TOLD EMBOFF THAT GOJ IS  
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NOT HAPPY AT THE PROSPECT OF THE VIII OASGA MEETING IN  
URUGUAY. BUT, IN THE ABSENCE OF  
ANY ALTERNATIVE OFFERS TO HOST OASGA, GOJ WILL  
ABSTAIN ON ISSUE. MANDERSON-JONES ADDED THAT IF  
OASGA IS, IN FACT, HELD IN MONTEVIDEO, JAMAICA'S  
FOREIGN MINISTER WILL NOT ATTEND.

2. MANDERSON-JONES WENT ON TO SAY THAT GOJ DOES NOT WISH TO PUT ITSELF OUT IN FRONT IN RAISING HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT MEETING FROM TAKING PLACE IN MONTEVIDEO. GOJ WILL, HOWEVER, FOLLOW NEW DEVELOPMENTS--LIKE THE IDEA OF ELICITING AN INVITATION TO THE IAHRC TO VISIT URUGUAY PRIOR TO THE OASGA--TO DETERMINE WHETHER IT CAN SUPPORT SUCH NEW INITIATIVES. GOJ IS, SAID MANDERSON-JONES, VERY INTERESTED TO LEARN WHAT OTHER VOICES ARE BEING RAISED (A) IN OPPOSITION TO THE URUGUAYAN INVITATION AND OR (B) IN SUPPORT OF THE IAHRC PRE-OASGA VISIT. HE SAID GOJ WOULD WELCOME IN PARTICULAR ANY INFORMATION WHICH MIGHT BE AVAILABLE REGARDING THE VIEWS OF VENEZUELA.

3. COMMENT: WHILE MANDERSON-JONES SPENT MUCH OF HIS TIME WAFFLING, WE THINK IT REFLECTS LIMITED INFORMATION WHICH JAMAICANS POSSESS ON THE ISSUE. MOREOVER, IT CLEAR FROM WHAT MANDERSON-JONES SAID THAT WHILE JAMAICANS ARE THEMSELVES COMMITTED TO HUMAN RIGHTS, THEY HAVE CONCLUDED THAT COMMITMENT BY OTHER LATIN AMERICAN GOVERNMENTS SO LIMITED THAT THERE IS VERY LITTLE TO BE GAINED FROM ENGAGING IN ANY CONFRONTATIONAL SITUATION--PARTICULARLY IN OAS CONTEXT WHEN THERE NO EVIDENCE OF STRONG DESIRE ON PART OF MOST OTHER LATIN

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AMERICAN COUNTRIES TO STIFF-ARM URUGUAYANS. MANDERSON-JONES' QUESTION REGARDING STANCE OF THE VENEZUELAN, WITH WHOM THEY ARE ATTEMPTING FORGE CLOSER TIES, DOES SUGGEST THAT GOJ MIGHT BE RESPONSIVE TO PRESSURE FROM CARACAS.

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